

Thomas Pereira

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
January 11, 2022

Convened: 7:00 P.M.

Present Francis Cain- Acting Director of Public Works
Mike McCabe- Mayor
Casey Berube - Deputy Superintendent
Mark Cressotti- City Engineer
Thomas Pereira- Secretary
Stephen White-Member
Brittany Rash- Senior Clerk



Reading of the minutes of the December 14, 2021 meeting waived and approved vote 2-0.

Public Participation: None.

City Councilor Communications: None.

Department of Public Works Monthly Report:

There have been a couple snow events so far with one being plow-able on January 7th. The Department has gotten through each event without any major incidents. The Deputy Superintendent and Acting Director touched upon the ice buildup from one recent event that was difficult to treat as ice can be tricky. DPW creates a brine solution with molasses to bind on the pavement making it easier to melt away/breakdown snow and ice; in turn saving on salt/sand, cost effective and is environmentally safe and friendly. DPW continues to build on the liquid deicer program with the direct liquid application (DLA). The DLA has proven to keep snow and ice from bonding to the pavement. Three of the full size spreader trucks are down for repairs (PTO, engine issues, and hydraulic overheating) leaving 10 functional spreader trucks; hoping to have all three back for the next storm event. DPW is working with the Law Department and Conservation Department to resolve drainage issues due to 226 and 232 Russellville Road being redeveloped by building homes that were built and has ruined the pitch into the road and a violation has been issued as it creates flooding/standing water and ice on the road in that area. Baltazar Construction has been awarded bid for the City View Road culvert/bridge replacement project and given notice to proceed. West Silver Street illicit connection eliminations are still in planning/design phase. The Department of Public Works will be awarding the working foreman position to the selected employee next pay period. DPW Continues to work with the Personnel Department to fill the vacant positions within the departments.

City Engineer Update:

City Engineer Cressotti mentioned that there is still work going on for the Elm Street portion of the Columbia Greenway throughout the winter. Things are quiet in the winter and slowing down. The Cowles Bridge project is still at a slow progress.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 PM.


Secretary